

REMARKS

By the above amendment, claims 27-29 have been amended to correct typographical errors. These amendments result in no additional burden on the Examiner or require any further searching. Furthermore, Applicants are not continuing prosecution or substantially changing the scope of the claims by submitting these amendments. No new matter is believed to have been included in any of the amendments. Since the amendments have not been made as a result of any rejection in the present application, no estoppel should be deemed to be associated with this amendment.

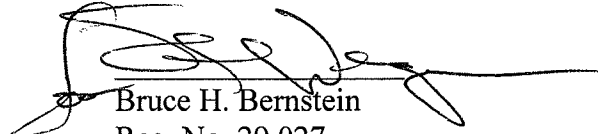
Comments on Statement on Reasons for Allowance

Applicants wish to clarify the record with respect to the basis for the patentability of claims in the present application. In this regard, while Applicants do not disagree with the Examiner's indication of allowability, Applicants submit that each of the claims in the present application recite a combination of features, and that the basis for patentability of each of these claims is based on the combination of features recited therein.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,
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